



Driving Safety & Sustainability for the Chemical Industry

Launched in the U.S. in 1988, Responsible Care[®] is the **global chemical industry's leading safety and sustainability initiative**, driving continual improvement and supporting innovative progress in manufacturing operations and our supply chain.

At its core, Responsible Care means working every day to protect the health and safety of people and the planet. It means taking actions to help ensure the business of chemistry is safe – both inside the facility and throughout the supply chain. Don't just take our word for it. Responsible Care requires companies to conduct [third-party audits](#) to confirm their successful implementation of its requirements.

Health & Safety: The [Responsible Care Process Safety Code](#) helps build a strong culture of safety throughout our organizations with executive-level commitments, knowledge-sharing and training programs and improving safety performance.

Environmental Performance: Responsible Care companies proactively work to protect our communities and the environment: monitoring, improving and [publicly reporting](#) performance in areas such as air emissions, water use, energy efficiency and greenhouse gas emissions.

Product Stewardship: The [Responsible Care Product Safety Code](#) outlines a comprehensive framework for chemical manufacturers to evaluate and continually improve their product safety performance and communicate product safety information throughout the value chain and to the public.

Facility Security: After September 11, 2001, ACC members took the lead to enhance security against terrorism, adopting a robust [Security Code](#). Recognized as a Qualified Anti-Terrorism Technology, the Code helps enhance security by identifying and addressing vulnerabilities, enhancing training and response and growing engagement with stakeholders.

Community Engagement: We are committed to being good neighbors. With nearly 230 [Community Advisory Panels](#) across the nation, our companies listen, learn and lean into our role in building healthy and sustainable communities.

Safety Across the Supply Chain: Safe chemicals management doesn't end when a chemical product leaves the manufacturing facility. That's why ACC extends the Responsible Care ethic across the supply chain through its [Responsible Care Partner Program](#). The Partner program includes nearly 100 organizations from chemical transporters to warehouses to logistics management, adhering to the same requirements as manufacturing members.

Global Responsible Care: Responsible Care's success in the U.S. has enabled us to support the development of Responsible Care programs in [economies around the globe](#). With support of national and regional associations, Responsible Care is practiced in nearly 70 economies today.

